


Peaks for May 2026

 **PEAK DEMAND¹**
33,404 MW

May 11, 6:44 p.m.

Previous month:
31,873 MW

Previous year:
36,413 MW

 **SOLAR PEAK¹**
22,706 MW

May 20, 1:17 p.m.

Previous month:
20,988 MW

Previous year:
21,587 MW

 **WIND PEAK¹**
8,312 MW

May 15, 1:41 a.m.

Previous month:
7,217 MW

Previous year:
5,879 MW

 **PEAK DEMAND SERVED BY RENEWABLES^{1,2}**
24,452 MW

May 3, 2:17 p.m.

Previous month:
26,754 MW

Previous year:
24,729 MW

 **PEAK NET IMPORTS**
8,769 MW

May 19, 4:32 a.m.

Previous month:
9,947 MW

Previous year:
10,003 MW

 **PEAK NET EXPORTS**
5,823 MW

May 9, 4:56 p.m.

Previous month:
3,891 MW

Previous year:
6,755 MW

Historical statistics and records (as of 6/11/2026)

 **PEAK DEMAND**

52,061 MW

Sept. 6, 2022 at 4:57 p.m.

Second highest:
50,270 MW, July 24, 2006

New record

 **SOLAR PEAK**

22,849 MW

June 10, 2026 at 1:47 p.m.

Previous record:
22,706 MW, May 20, 2026

New record

 **WIND PEAK**

8,312 MW

May 15, 2026 at 1:41 a.m.

Previous record:
7,748 MW, May 4, 2026

 **PEAK NET IMPORTS**

11,894 MW

Sept. 21, 2019 at 6:53 p.m.

 **STEEPEST 3-HOUR AVERAGE RAMP**

24,567 MWh

Mar. 16, 2026 starting at 3:50 p.m.

Second highest:
24,378 MWh, Oct. 5, 2025

¹ Based on 1-minute averages, and includes dynamic transfers. Values are subject to revision as data is refined.

² Indicates the highest amount of renewables serving peak electricity demand on any given day.

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BENEFITS

\$382.12 million

Previous quarter:
\$415.65 million

ISO AVOIDED CURTAILMENTS

80,832 MWh

Previous quarter:
36,261 MWh

ISO'S GHG SAVINGS³

34,596 MTCO₂

Previous quarter:
15,520 MTCO₂

WEIM benefits since 2014 [Visit WEIM page](#)

BENEFITS

\$8.62 billion

Active participants: **24**

ISO AVOIDED CURTAILMENTS

2,776,229 MWh

Future participants: **1**

ISO'S TOTAL GHG SAVINGS³

1,188,146 MTCO₂

Number of states: **12**

Resources



Resource adequacy net qualifying capacity (NQC) = **65,337 MW**

As of 6/1/26. Does not include current outages.



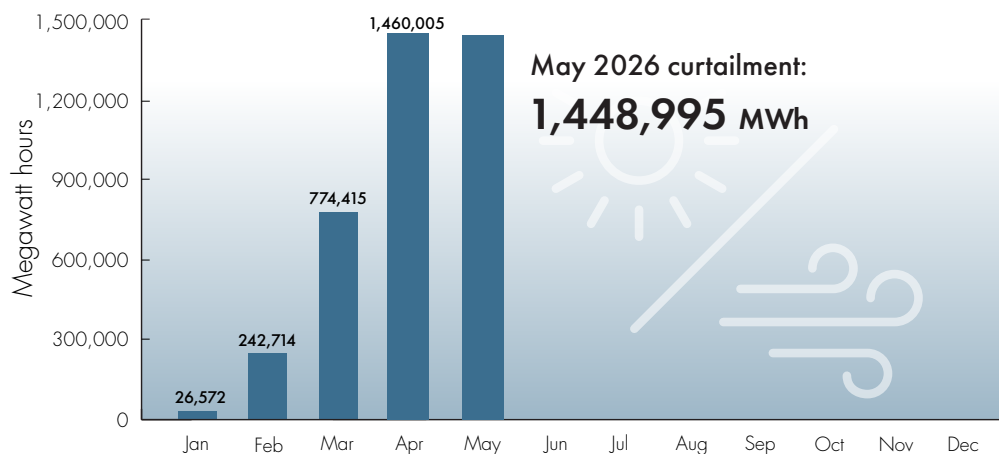
Installed battery capacity⁴

16,531 MW

As of 6/1/26; subject to change.

Wind and solar curtailment totals

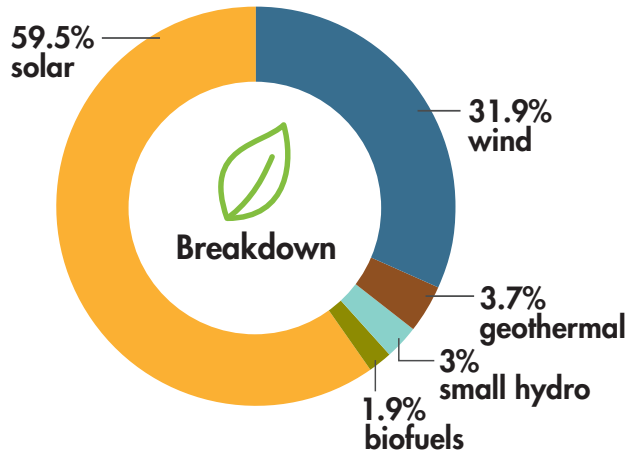
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³ The GHG emission reduction is associated with the avoided curtailment only.

⁴ Includes storage resources that have achieved commercial operation date, and does not include pumped storage.

Installed renewable resources (as of 6/11/2026)



	Megawatts
 Solar	23,000
 Wind	12,332
 Geothermal	1,443
 Small hydro	1,140
 Biofuels	727
TOTAL	38,642

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NOTE – The ISO is using updated methodology to generate data. Only fully commercial units are now counted; units that are in test mode or partially online are excluded. For that data, view the Master Control Area Generating Capability List in the Master Generating File on OASIS under "Atlas Reference."



Other facts

- 32 million consumers served
- Serves ~80% of California demand
- Serves ~24% of WECC demand within the ISO balancing authority
- 1 MW serves about 750-1,000 homes (1 MWh = 1 million watts used for one hour)
- 239.2 million megawatt-hours of load served (2025)
- 245.9 million megawatts of total electricity delivered (2025)
- 41,886 MW average market transactions per day (2025)
- 23 participating transmission owners
- ~26,000 circuit miles of transmission
- 337 market participants
- RC West is the reliability coordinator for 25 balancing authorities and 40 transmission operators

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